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Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified patent application is an Amendment After A Final Office Action.

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The Commissioner is authorized to charge the appropriate fees of \$368.00 (which are believed to be \$110.00 for the one-month extension, and to be \$258.00 for three (3) the net additional independent claims) to Deposit Account No. 11-0600. The Commissioner is also authorized, as appropriate and/or necessary, to charge any additional fees (including any other Rule 136(a) extension fees) or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-0600. Two duplicate copies of this transmittal letter are enclosed for these

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